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## LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR NORTON ISSUES HER PENNSYLVANIA COUNTERPART A "FLIPSIDE" WAGER ON SUNDAY'S AFC CHAMPIONSHIP GAME

(**DENVER**) – Colorado Lt. Governor Jane Norton and Pennsylvania Lt. Governor Catherine Baker Knoll have followed the lead of their respective bosses today, with Norton issuing a challenge to Knoll regarding Sunday's AFC championship game between the two time Super Bowl Champions, the Denver Broncos, and the Pittsburgh Steelers.

In keeping with the friendly wagers issued earlier this week by the Governors of their states, both Lieutenant Governors stood proudly by their teams. Beyond the mutual agreement to wear the other team's jersey should their rival score a playoff victory, Norton and Knoll upped the ante to include a condolence prize. Norton, always a gracious winner, sent a brief statement to Knoll defining the "flipside" of their agreement.

"Following the Broncos sweet victory on Sunday, I will supply Lt. Governor Knoll with a box of world-famous Enstrom's chocolates from my hometown of Grand Junction, Colorado, to soften Pittsburgh's bitter defeat," she stated, "along with a John Lynch jersey to brighten her wardrobe. Given my background in public health, I would also advise Lt. Governor Knoll to have grief counselors on hand Monday for disappointed Steelers fans."

Knoll was quick to respond that, "Lt. Governor Norton is a lovely woman and I think she'll look just stunning walking around the Colorado State Capitol in a Jerome Bettis shirt. Black and gold are great colors for her."

In the unlikely event that the Broncos lose, Lt. Governor Norton has agreed to appear publicly in a Steelers' shirt, and will receive Pittsburgh's signature pepperoni rolls, bruschetta sauce from Mancini's Bakery and Steeler cookies from Jenny Lee Bakery as a condolence prize. Confident of a victory, Norton said she will donate her winnings to charity.

Jane Norton was sworn in as Colorado's 46<sup>th</sup> Lieutenant Governor on January 13, 2003. She served in the Reagan Administration as a regional director of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services from April 1988 to January 1993.

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